

Ocotillo District Weekly Update

September 4, 2015

Transportation/Light-Rail Presentation Meeting September 17, 2015.

Councilmember Jamie Aldama is hosting a community meeting for residents living in the Ocotillo District and neighboring residents from 6-9 p.m. Thursday, September 17 at Isaac Imes Elementary School, 6625 N. 56 Ave. in the gymnasium.

Aldama, city staff and representatives from Valley Metro will make a presentation on the high-capacity transit service (light-rail). Councilmember Aldama and Valley Metro representatives will be available to answer questions from residents.

For more information or if you need special accommodations, call 623-930-2249.

City Offices Will Be Closed Monday, September 7 For Labor Day. City of Glendale offices will close Monday, September 7 in observance of the Labor Day



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**Ocotillo District
Amenities**

holiday. All scheduled residential garbage pick-up and recycling will be shifted one day due to the holiday. The schedule for garbage pick-up is as follows, please note that the garbage pick-up will be shifted one day for the ENTIRE week because the holiday falls on a Monday.

Monday (9/7) to Tuesday (9/8)
 Tuesday (9/8) to Wednesday (9/9)
 Wednesday (9/9) to Thursday (9/10)
 Thursday (9/10) to Friday (9/11)
 Friday (9/11) to Saturday (9/12)

Only Gus Bus One will run, operating on a Sunday schedule from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For Dial-a-Ride service that day, reservations must be made by noon on Friday, September 4, by calling 623-930-3500. No same-day service on Monday will be available. Valley Metro buses will operate on a Sunday schedule.

In addition, Glendale's three public libraries will be closed, as well as the Glendale Convention and Visitors Bureau. Glendale's Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center will remain open on the holiday, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information on the recreation center, call 623-930-4600.

For additional information on the city of Glendale's programs and services, visit Glendaleaz.com.

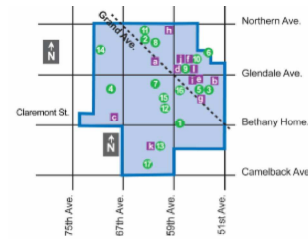
Maryland Avenue Multi-Use Pathway Project:

Construction will begin for this project beginning August 24 - September 14 which will add to the bike lanes and pedestrian walkway from Discovery Park to 67th Avenue by widening the pavement on the north side of Maryland (67th - 69th Ave.) and extend the existing 10' wide concrete walkway in Discovery Park to Discovery Drive (Maryland Avenue).

Westbound Maryland Avenue will be CLOSED between 67th and 69th avenues to accommodate construction in this area. Westbound Maryland Avenue traffic will be detoured via Ocotillo Road and 69th Avenue.

For additional project info visit glendaleaz.com/improvements. For project questions/info: 602-532-6250.

Valley Metro West Phoenix/Central Glendale High Capacity Transit Study Information



The Glendale City Council Sponsors City-Wide Code Information Meeting.

The Glendale City Council is hosting a city-wide code compliance information meeting for Glendale residents and business owners. The meeting will provide residents and business owners the opportunity to identify potential code violations and to learn how to build or improve their property in compliance with the City of Glendale's building and safety code requirements. All are invited to attend the meeting which will be held at **6:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 16** at the Glendale Main Library Auditorium, **5959 W Brown St., Glendale, AZ 85302.**

The City Council will be joined by Sam McAllen, Development Services Director, and his staff from the Code Enforcement and Building Safety Divisions.

What is the timeline for the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Project?

As you may know, Valley Metro has a study underway to identify transit options to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system. The project is scheduled for operations in 2026, but critical decisions are being made in the current study to determine a route and type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit). That study will conclude in early 2016 with a vote by the Glendale and Phoenix City Councils. We want to hear from you! To learn more about the project and how you can provide input, visit valleymetro.org/Glendale.

Libraries Expand Online Service with New Partnership. Glendale Public Library announced availability of thousands of movies, television shows, music albums, eBooks, audiobooks and comics via mobile and online access through a new partnership with Hoopla Digital.

Glendale library card holders can now download the free Hoopla Digital mobile app on their Android or IOS device or by visiting hoopladigital.com. Available content includes thousands of titles - from major Hollywood studios, record companies and publishers - available to borrow 24/7, for instant streaming or temporary downloading to smartphones, tablets and computers.

"The library is excited to add Hoopla Digital services to our growing electronic resource offerings for our patrons. The selection is varied and downloading is quick," said Glendale's Chief Librarian, Michael Beck.

"With Hoopla Digital, our patrons can enjoy dynamic content from the library on-the-go," said Kathy Curley, Administrative Librarian for Collection Development. "Being digital, there is no waiting period for popular titles and Hoopla's automatic return means no late fees."

Hoopla Digital is a service of Midwest Tape, a trusted partner to public libraries for more than 25 years.

Presentations from city staff will include examples of neighborhood code violations related to property maintenance, abandoned vehicles, garage sales, etc., and explain how to get these violations resolved. Staff will also discuss when and how to get building permits for a variety of home improvement projects which residents may be considering. Staff will be available to privately and confidentially answer questions from residents who may wish to report code violations in their neighborhoods.

For more information, please contact the Glendale City Council Office at 623-930-2250.

Coming Up

A Beary Special Day in Historic Downtown Glendale September 12. For more than 100 years,

teddy bears have been beloved by generations of children and adults, alike. Teddy bear fans can head to Historic Downtown Glendale and Catlin Court on Saturday, September 12 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. to celebrate National Teddy Bear Day.

Have fun with friends, family and your favorite furry bears as you enjoy a day of make-and-take arts and crafts and exclusive deals. Begin at the Glendale Visitor Center and pick up a map and West Valley Information pack (for the first 200 visitors) and take a spin on the prize wheel. Visit boutique stores, specialty shops, and downtown eateries for special offers and discounts. Ollie the Trolley will be cruising through downtown Glendale to offer free rides in the area, including stops at Cerreta Candy Company.

Another highlight will be a special appearance by Al the Bear. This loveable, huggable bear will delight the young and young-at-heart! Be sure to bring a camera to get a picture with this beary special guest!

Additionally, the Visitor Center will be accepting new teddy bears (12-18" in size) to benefit the Glendale Fire Department Trauma Teddy Program, the Glendale Crisis Response Team and local children's charities. Teddy bears will be available for purchase during the event at the Visitor Center for just \$10, to be taken home and loved or donated to the teddy bear drive.

This event is coordinated by the downtown business community and the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB.) For additional information, call the Glendale CVB at 623-930-4500 or log on to visitglendale.com

Coffee with a Cop

Join your neighbors and Police Officer for Coffee and Conversation. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.

For more information call Crime Prevention Specialist Doreen Anderson at 623-695-0440

September 23, 2015 at 6 p.m. at Ranch Market located at 6730 W. Camelback Rd.

Got Drugs? Safely Dispose of Them! The Glendale Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration are providing residents an opportunity

to safely and conveniently dispose of expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutical substances and other medications. Controlled, non-controlled and over the counter substances will be accepted on Saturday, **September 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the Glendale Adult Center located at 5970 W. Brown Street, North parking lot area.

*Glass containers, inhalers, intra-venous solutions, injectable and syringes **CANNOT** be accepted due to potential hazards posed by blood-borne pathogens*

For more information about this event, contact Officer Jeff Horsley at 623-930-4029 or Officer Andy Lynes at 623-930-2554.

Glendale Police Department Shred Event.

Saturday, October 3 from 8 to 11 a.m. at Target, 10404 N. 43rd Ave., Southwest Parking Lot Area. Four (4) banker boxes limit per household. Due to demand, event may conclude if trucks are full. For further information contact Doreen Anderson, Crime Prevention Specialist at 623-930-4044.

Musical Mystery Tour Glendale Civic Pride

Ambassadors 2015 Fundraiser -Tickets on Sale

Now. Tickets are now on sale for the second annual *Musical Mystery Tour* fundraiser to be held Saturday evening, October 3, 2015, on the DeVry University Sky Patio, overlooking Westgate and with a spectacular view of the West Valley, presented by the [Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors Foundation](#). The goal of the ***Musical Mystery Tour*** is to raise money for [Upward for Children and Families](#), whose mission it is to "bring joy and hope to the children they serve."

"We are very excited at the community response," said Nancy Lenox, president of the GCPA. "We're inviting all our friends, neighbors and business partners from throughout the valley to enjoy our second presentation of a wonderful evening of musical entertainment. This year's event is entitled **Sentimental Journey**, featuring the music of the '40s and '50's, with a special tribute to Luke Air Force Base who came to Glendale, Arizona during that period. Proceeds from this event will benefit [Upward for Children and Families](#). KTVK 3TV's Good Morning Arizona Weekend Anchor Jaime Cerreta has

graciously agreed to serve as our Master of Ceremonies."

Lenox added, "Among our premier sponsors are the Glendale Convention and Visitor's Bureau, retired Glendale Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Disneyland and Midwestern University. Many other area businesses and individuals are supporting **Musical Mystery Tour** with cash contributions and/or prizes for our drawings. Catering will be provided by Fat Freddy's, one of the valley's most sought-after catering companies. Valet parking will also be available." She added, "Tickets are on sale now at just \$40 each."

The Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors (GCPA) was organized to help promote economic, social and cultural vitality for Glendale and the surrounding area. They also raise funds to help the region's worthwhile charitable organizations through the GCPA Foundation, having donated more than \$300,000 to charity in the past decade.

Upward for Children and Families, a United Way agency, provides special education and therapies, including speech, feeding and swallowing, music, occupational and physical, for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Doug Carter, CEO of Upward, said, "We're so grateful to the GCPA for their generosity. Traditional funding sources are diminishing and we are in the midst of a capital campaign to improve our facilities. We really need their help. The GCPA Foundation has our sincere thanks, and we can't wait to enjoy the show!"

For more information about the 2015 Musical Mystery Tour, visit www.musicalmysterytour.org, or contact Nancy Lenox at 602.568.6202 /nancylenox@cox.net. To purchase tickets, call 602.279.5801. Seating is limited, so please make your reservations early.

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